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San Marcos & Hays County Residents Welcome Household Hazardous Waste Collection Saturday Sept 18

The City of San Marcos Public Services Department will sponsor its quarterly drive-through Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection on Saturday, September 18, 2010, from 8 a.m. to noon at the City of San Marcos Traffic Yard, 630 E. Hopkins. Old pharmaceuticals will also be collected.

Residents of San Marcos and Hays County are encouraged to drop off hazardous materials at the Traffic Yard located off Hopkins Street across from HEB. Proof of

residency, such as a driver's license or a utility bill, is required to participate in the free collection to be held rain or shine.



SAFE DISPOSAL OF PAINTS, CHEMICALS AND OLD MEDICINES: Public Services Coordinator Jo Secret moves a load of old paints and chemicals for safe disposal at a quarterly collection sponsored by the City of San Marcos and Hays County.

Chemicals should be transported in the trunk of a car or the back of a pick-up and all products should be kept in their original containers. If a container is broken, the contents should be placed in a container of the same material. Do not combine chemicals.

Out-dated prescription and over the counter medicines will be collected at this event.

Items that will be accepted include: A maximum of 10-5 gallon buckets, drain cleaners, concentrates, degreasers, oven cleaners, solvents, polishers, pool chemicals, household batteries, latex and oil based paints, spray paints, thinners, strippers, preservatives, brush cleaners, pesticides, sprays/dusts, weed killers, rat poisons, insecticides, antifreeze, batteries, motor oil and oil filters, brake fluids, transmission fluid, compact fluorescent bulbs and fluorescent light bulbs.

Items that will not be accepted include: More than 10-5 gallon buckets, tires, medical wastes, containers larger than 5 gallons, empty containers, compressed gas cylinders or waste generated by businesses.

Residents may also dispose of HHW from 12 noon to 3:30 p.m. every Tuesday and Friday at the City Traffic Yard. A free re-use store is also available to residents on a first come, first served basis and offers items such as latex and oil based paint, caulk, insect spray, fertilizer and cleaners.

For more information on the drive-through collection or the City's HHW collection facility, call the Public Services Department at 512.393.8036.

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